

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 2 p.m., on Monday, December 12, 2005.

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### HURRICANE KATRINA

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine perspectives of FEMA's operations professionals relative to Hurricane Katrina, after receiving testimony from Scott Wells, Federal Coordinating Officer, FEMA Joint Field Office (Baton Rouge, Louisiana), Philip

E. Parr, Deputy Federal Coordinating Officer, FEMA Joint Field Office (Austin, Texas), and William L. Carwile, former Federal Coordinating Officer, FEMA Joint Field Office (Biloxi, Mississippi), all of the Department of Homeland Security.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of George W. Foresman, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Preparedness, and Tracy A. Henke, of Missouri, to be Executive Director of the Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness, both of the Department of Homeland Security. Ms. Henke was introduced by Representative Emerson.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 4471–4498; 1 private bill, H.R. 4499; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 312–314; and H. Res. 591–593 were introduced. **Pages H11326–27**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H11327–28**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 972, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2006 through 2007 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–317, Pt. 2);

H.R. 1090, to designate a Forest Service trail at Waldo Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–331);

S. 362, to establish a program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the United States Coast Guard to help identify, determine sources of, assess, reduce, and prevent ma-

rine debris and its adverse impacts on the marine environment and navigation safety, in coordination with non-Federal entities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–332, Pt. 1); and

Conference Report on H.R. 3199, to extend and modify authorities needed to combat terrorism, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–333). **Page H11326**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaHood to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H11223**

**Tax Relief Extension Reconciliation Act of 2005:** The House passed H.R. 4297, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 234 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 621. **Pages H11227–64**

Rejected the Rangel motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments by a yeas-and-nays vote of 193 yeas to 235 nays, Roll No. 620. **Pages H11262–64**